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VIRGINIA DELTA OF SIGMA PHI EPSILON GIVES INFORMAL HOP

Local Fraternity Entertains Guests at Their Handsome Home.

On last Friday evening December 10, the Virginia Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon gave a delightful informal hop at their home on Scotland Street. The whole lower floor of the artistic fraternity house was tastefully decorated in holly and ferns and the colors of the fraternity. The rooms were lighted with numerous candles, and a large open fire added to the attractiveness of the scene.

Immediately after the basket ball game the guests began to arrive, and it was not long before the house was filled with the many friends of the Chapter. Dancing was immediately begun and continued until a late hour.

During the evening fruit punch was served and at eleven o'clock the guests were treated to a delightful ice course.

Among those enjoying the hospitality of Delta chapter were: Miss Spragins with Cecil Graves; Miss Bridler with Prof. Schepmoes; Miss Daniel with Mapp; Miss Congdon with Tuck; Miss Dunbar with Waddill; Miss Rankin with Channing Hall; Miss Traynham with Booth; Miss Kent with Dr. Goodwin; Miss Upchurch with Copeland; Miss Galt with Tilley; Miss Macon with Prof. Hubbard; Miss Ruffin with Prof. Tyler; Miss Harrison with Jim Early; Miss Hundley with Prof. Ferguson; Miss S. Blassinham, of Newport News, Va., with Williamson; Miss B. Blassinham, of Newport News, Va., with Lewis; Miss Carrie Cole Lane with E. R. James; Miss Thorpe with Pullen; Miss Mary Cary Moncure with W. C. Ferguson; Miss Bozarth with Wilson; Miss Margaret Tyler with Parker; Miss Mary Lyon Tyler with Addington; Miss Barnett with Forest Graves; Miss Geddy with R. C. Taylor; Miss Mary B. Spencer with V. M. Geddy; Miss Moomaw, of Dublin, Va., with Newton; Miss Foster with Combs; Miss Hall with G. B. Zehmer. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson, Dr. and Mrs. Draper, Dr. and Mrs. Davis. Messrs. Clark, Jones, A. P. Tucker, H. W. Thorpe, Woodson, Zion and Zehmer. Chaperones: Mesdames Binns, Geddy, Clark, Jones and Henderson.

VARSITY QUINT AND U. T. S. PLAY FAST, CLOSE GAME

Indians Fail to Overcome Big Lead and Theologs Win 38 to 35

The College basketball season was ushered in last night when the varsity quint met the speedy five of the Union Theological Seminary on the local floor and went down to defeat by the score of 38-35. At the end of the first half the Theologs had a lead of ten points, the score being 22 to 12. This lead was never overcome, though in the last few minutes of play William and Mary by a final rally got within three points of the Richmonder's count.

For a few minutes after the opening of the game neither team was able to cage the ball. The Theologs scored first when Captain White shot a foul. A minute afterwards Captain Jones evened the count by also tossing a foul goal. Several field goals were then made by the visitors and the lead gained never to be overcome. Symonds, the Theolog right forward, caged the ball three times from the floor in this period.

It was evident soon after the beginning of the second half that the Indians were staging a come-back. Zion, the husky Indian forward, broke away from the close guarding of the Theologs and caged four field goals. Captain Jones shot his first field basket of that night and repeated twice. Gayle outplayed "Piker" Hughes easily in this period and got two goals. The Indian guards played a close game in the second period. The count of this half was 23 to 16 in favor of the varsity.

As an exhibition game and one to give some idea of the strength of the 1915-16 quint the contest was a success. Though the basketeers were slightly off in their shooting, the passing was fair and at times real team work was displayed. The guarding of the Theologs was close and this necessitated very fast shooting.

The line-up and summary:

W. & M.	Position	U. T. S.
Zion	.....l. f.	White (Capt.)
Jones (Capt.)	.....r. f.	Symonds
Gayle	.....c.	Hughes
Zehmer	.....l. g.	Thompson
Stryker	.....r. g.	Smith

Field goals—Zion, 6; Jones, 3; Gayle, 2; Zehmer, Stryker, 2; White, 5; Symonds, 4; Hughes, 2; Thomp-

FIRST ISSUE OF LITERARY MAGAZINE REVIEWED BY DR. WILSON

October Number Shows Good Literary Ability and Gives Promise

The October number of the William and Mary Lit. bears evidence of careful editing and good literary ability. There are three well written stories, three poems of real beauty and as many essays. The one outstanding feature of the issue is "Fancy," a musical set of verses by Dick Ham.

Of the stories, "The Test," if not altogether original in theme, has decided possibilities of plot that are not altogether realized. It stands the first test of fiction, however, it is interesting. "In a Notebook," too, is entertaining, and pleasingly related. As short-stories, both this story and "A Woman's Romance" lack in definiteness of motive and in plot organization. The latter, none-the-less, is vivid and effective and is most attractive in spirit and style.

The essays are all too brief to develop adequately the themes chosen: two are comparisons of poems far too different in spirit and power to be successfully compared. In the main each is written in strong and satisfactory language, which, perhaps, is the justification for inclusion in the magazine.

The verse of this issue does credit to a magazine that has high traditions. Especially pleasing is the sonnet entitled "The Clouds" and the lyric, "Fancy."

Editorially the Lit. shows but one slight weakness, proof-reading. At least three errors of some consequence escaped the reader's eye. With the support of his strong staff, if the students of ability will aid him, Mr. Harris gives promise of a series of magazines as good as the best that William and Mary has produced.

During the Christmas holidays the Brown University football team will cross the continent to meet the University of Washington team at Pasadena, Cal. One of the prominent sporting editors, Grantland Rice, makes the comment that 3,000 miles is a long way to go to be held on the 1-yard line.

The Michigan Daily has a Sunday magazine section containing articles by the students.

ACADEMY QUINT MAKES EXCELLENT SHOWING IN INITIAL GAME

Papooses Defeated by One Point by Portsmouth High. Score 25-24.

Coach Hubbard's Academy quint went down to a close defeat last Friday night at the hands of Portsmouth High by a 24-25 score. At the end of the first half the score stood 16-15 in favor of the Academy, but the visitors by clever team-work turned the tables in the final period, Hudgin's shooting the basket which turned defeat into victory within thirty seconds before the whistle blew.

From start to finish the game was a nip and tuck affair. At no time during the contest did either team have a lead of more than four points.

The little Indians were the first to score, Ellis copping a good one from the field only a few seconds after the ball had been put into play. On the next play Chapelle fouled his man, and Hudgins drew the first blood for his team by tossing the ball through the ring.

For the Academy the playing of "Monk" Ellis bordered on the sensational. He was responsible for exactly half of his team's points, scoring six field goals. Burford also did good work. Not only did the big center make three goals from field but he guarded his man so well that the opposing center was unable to register a single point.

Hudgins was a shining light for the High School, while Scott, the other forward, also played well. The former made four goals and tossed seven goals from foul out of eight attempts.

The work of Taylor, King and Chapelle was creditable, the first two mentioned being substituted at guard positions the last half, and both kept their men well covered.

Line up and summary:

P. H. S.	Position	W. M. A.
Hudgins	.....l. f.	Tribble, Armistead
Scott	.....r. f.	Ellis
Welton	.....c.	Burford
Taylor	.....r. g.	Emory, Garber
King, Hutchins	.....l. g.	Chapelle

Score: Goals from field; Ellis 6, Chapelle 1, Burford 3, Armistead 1, Hudgins 4, Scott 3, Taylor 1. Goals from foul, Armistead 2, Hudgins 7, Scott 2. Referee—Jones. Time of halves, 15 minutes.

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MILITARY TRAINING

In Chapel on Thursday morning, the second, Dr. D. W. Draper, director of Physical Training, brought before the students a plan of introducing military training at William and Mary. The Board of Visitors had asked him to bring the matter before the student body and find out as accurately as possible the attitude of the students toward the installation of a department of military science. A canvass of the students was made and an unofficial report shows that the vote was about four to one in favor of the proposed plan.

The details incident to the inauguration of the department are not known at present but some of the essential requirements throw a good deal of light upon the matter. First, the College must make military training compulsory for two years and provide means for uniforming the corps. The government will furnish rifles and other necessary equipment and detail a tactical officer who shall rank as a professor and be given three hours a week in which to instruct the men. Whether the Academy students will have military training or not is still unknown.

Military training in state colleges and technical schools is a very common thing, and surely at William and Mary, a state institution, it

would in no wise be out of place. In these days of talk of preparedness, military training for college students holds a high place in the minds of many prominent men. It is considered by a great number to be the best means of preparing ourselves for war, while of course there are some who oppose the plan. Whatever else can be said, the physical exercise derived from military training is the sort now being demanded by the colleges for the "average" student. William and Mary now requires of her state-students physical culture for two years, and this would then be taken care of in a more interesting and practical way.

The added expense to the student would be very little, for the price of a uniform is exceedingly low and the suit may be used in place of citizens clothes if so desired.

Another element which makes military training desirable is the esprit de corps characteristic of military organizations. There is a common spirit and devotion seen in a troop or company which seems to spring from the unity and coordination demanded by the organization. It is a spirit all colleges desire and so many lack, a spirit which transfers itself to the athletic field, the literary society hall and the dormitory. This spirit coupled with the physical and practical value of military should certainly influence the William and Mary man in his final decision in regard to the establishment of military training at this College.

WHEREFORE THE SHOWER

We do not know; but we are sure it was put there originally to drink from. Yes, we are speaking of the drinking fountain on the side of the Science Hall. It is only the expert now who is able to quench his thirst at this fountain, for those unskilled in the manipulation of the (formerly) porcelain button receive the water on the outside. One push and the spray flies in all directions, and the would be imbibers of aqua backs away, hurling epithets at the innocent fountain, which would make anything turn awry and attempt a defense. Poor old fountain! Cheer up, we'll not say anything more against you. It's not your fault.

This issue of the Flat Hat will be our last before the holidays, so we take this opportunity of extending to each one of you our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Bush has been elected captain of the Randolph-Macon football team and Thurman has been chosen leader of the Hampden-Sidney 1916 eleven. Robins leads the Spiders.

The seniors of the University of Chicago are to have a mustache race. This is an old custom and fifty men have entered the race this year.

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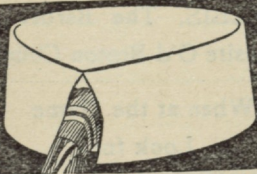
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NOTED OF THE INDIANS

Zion seemed to be the only one of
the locals with his eye on the basket
during the whole game.

The game was not what the var-
sity is capable of, and the way in
which the balls rolled around the
rim of the basket was uncanny, too.

Capt. Jones was not in his usual
form during the first period. He
took a brace in the last half however
and tossed three goals.

White played an excellent game
for the theologists. He waited around
the basket most of the time, but
whenever he got the ball it came
near going in.

It was the first game in a long
time at which there was unnecessary
noise while an opponent was shoot-
ing a foul. This was certainly
thoughtlessness and will be stopped
as suddenly as it began.

Hudgins of P. H. S. had his eye
on the basket Friday. He scored
seven fouls out of eight tries. His
teammate Scott tossed in two in
two attempts.

White also dropped in a few fouls
He missed only one in nine attempts.

Big Burford showed real form in
the game Friday. He followed in
his shots well, and generally showed
more knowledge of basketball than
one of as little experience as he.

Portsmouth was certainly surprised
at the outcome of the Academy
game. Reports from the down east
high school were filled with confi-
dence of a victory by a big score.

Garber is in a class by himself
when it comes to passing between
his legs.

At one time during the Academy
game Referee Jones called fouls so
fast that the spectators couldn't
keep up with him.

Homewood, Maryland will be the
home of Johns Hopkins University
by October of next year. All de-
partments except that of Chemistry
will be moved.

The death toll of football for the
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ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mr. John Zehmer, of McKinney,
Virginia is spending several days
with his brother G. B. Zehmer at
the Theta Delta Chi House.

Mr. Clarence Jennings, president
of the 1915 class, visited friends at
the College Saturday and Sunday.

Manager Presson promises the
best baseball schedule ever for next
season. We expect to be able to
publish it before many more issues.

Mr. C. C. Renick who is teaching
botany at the John Marshall High
School, Richmond, spent the week
end with his brother.

Miss Mary Ware Galt entertained
delightfully at dancing at the Colonial
Inn Saturday evening when many
of the students were her guests.

Snowballs flew thick on Sunday
and "ducs" flew in all directions.

COLLEGE COMMENT

The "Ring-Tum-Phi" of Washing-
ton and Lee issued a special football
edition last week.

At a meeting of the Southern In-
tercollegiate Athletic Association at
Tulane it was decided to abolish the
one year rule. It is reported that
those colleges in favor of the rule
will probably withdraw from the as-
sociation.

The football coach at the Univer-
sity of Omaha has instructed the
co-eds of that institution as to the
meanings of various football terms.

W. J. Bryan recently delivered an
address at the University of North
Carolina on "The Making of a Man."

Several college students from dif-
ferent parts of the country embar-
ked on Henry Ford's peace ship
Oscar II.

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William and Mary.

ACADEMY SCHEDULE

Dec. 17—St. Paul Academy, at
home.

Jan. 13—Newport News High, at
Newport News.

Jan. 14—Maury High, at Norfolk.

Jan. 15—Portsmouth High, at
Portsmouth.

Jan. 21—John Marshall High, at
home.

Feb. 11—St. Paul Academy, at
Portsmouth.

Feb. 18—Old Point College, at
home.

Feb. 25—Newport News, at home.

Mar. 3—Maury High, at home.

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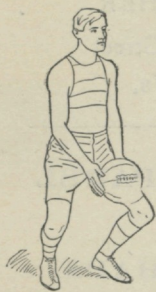
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MR. BACON SPEAKS IN CHAPEL

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Towards the close of his remarks, Mr. Bacon briefly explained the training of Scouts, the purposes of its various phases, and the different classes of Scouts. William and Mary men were urged to consider Scout work as a profession, and always to co-operate with its activities.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 18—Richmond Howitzers, at Richmond.

Jan. 8—Richmond Howitzers, at home.

Jan. 15—Richmond Blues, at home.

Feb. 3—Richmond Blues, at Richmond.

Feb. 4—Va. Christian College, at Lynchburg.

Feb. 5—V. M. I., at Lexington.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Feb. 9—Richmond College, at home.

Feb. 16—Richmond College, at Richmond.

Feb. 19—Randolph-Macon, at Ashland.

Feb. 25—Hampden-Sidney, at Farmville.

Mar. 4—Randolph-Macon, at home.

Mar. 11—Hampden Sidney, at home.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

Mr. Chas. G. Hounsdel delivered a very interesting address before the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday night in behalf of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, of which he is a Traveling Secretary. The speaker is a graduate of Vanderbilt and has spent seven years as a missionary in Korea. The need for men on the foreign field and the present opportunity for effective service were points especially emphasized. "To America the cry for men is made more urgently than ever, as thousands of Christian workers are losing their lives in the great world war." Mr. Hounsdel made a plea for men to dedicate their lives to Christian service and to take Christian influences into whatever profession is followed. He spent Thursday on the campus conferring with men in regard to the Student Volunteer Movement.

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